Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—(a) and (b). Laborious search is necessary to furnish the information and Government do not think that any public purpose is served thereby.

(c) Government have not sanctioned any raffle during the last 5 years.

(d) The refusal to sanction raffles is a sufficient indication of the view of the Government.

Amounts that lapsed in 1103.

351. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to furnish (since it is about the middle of Thulam) information asked for in question 8 of the Special Session ?

Mr. K. Krishna Pisharodi.—The information is appended. (*Vide Appendix V.*)

Government officers who are given licenses to drive motor cars.

352. Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the Table a list of those Government officers, besides the Government drivers, to whom licenses have been granted during the years 1101, 1102, 1103 and 1104 to drive motor cars?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—A list is appended.

In 1101.

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao, Messrs. P. I. Varugis and V. B. Vaidyanatha Ayyar.

In 1102.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.

In 1103.

Messrs. P. I. Varugis, A. Babu Rao and V. B. Vaidyanatha Ayyar.

In 1104.

Dr. G. M. De'Souza, Messrs. P. I. Varugis, A. Babu Rao, V. B. Vaidyanatha Ayyar, D. R. Rao and K. Kunjunni Nayar.

Note.—As official designations are not generally noted in the license register, the list may not be quite accurate.

Motor accidents.

353. Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether cases of motor accidents have occurred during the years 1101, 1102, 1103 and 1104 while licensed Government officers were actually driving the cars themselves; if so, which are those cases, where happened, how and when and what was the nature of the injury or accident in each case ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—One case each was reported during the years 1102 and 1104 and they are ;—

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(1). Crime No. 30 of 1102 of Trippunittura. The Mud-guard of the Diwan's car driven by a Government Chauffeur struck against a girl at about 9 a. m. on 4th Vrischigam 1102 near the East Fort Gate, Trippunittura, and caused slight abrasions on the body of the girl. The accident was not due to any negligence or rashness on the part of the driver; the girl on hearing the sound of the horn got confused and suddenly ran across the road just in front of the car. The driver's control of the machine alone prevented loss of life.

(2) Crime No. 9 of 1104 of Trichur Cusba. Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao, Civil Surgeon, Trichur, while driving his car from Trichur to Kunnamkulam towards the evening of 16th Kanni 1104, came across a herd of ducks on the Peramangalam descent; the ducks getting out of control scattered themselves fully on the road, and the car coming down the descent ran over a few of them and slightly brushed against the man in charge of the ducks who was attempting to clear a way for the car and caused him slight abrasions and a skin-deep wound on the head.

354. Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Will the Government kindly state whether all cases of motor accidents that have occurred and come to the notice of the Police during the last three years up-to-date, in which one Government officer or other was driving the car at the time of the happening of the accident, have been charged by the Police?

If not, which are the cases that have been charged, if any, and which are those that have not been charged, and what was the reason in the case of each of the latter series of cases for their not being charged?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Mneon.—The two cases that came to the notice of the Police during the period were not charged.

Both were finally reported as investigation disclosed that the drivers' carelessness or negligence was not responsible for the accident.

Agricultural Loans.

355. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to give a list of those who are holders of Government Agricultural loans of Rs. 1,000 and above;

(b) will they inquire and state whether any of those have utilised the whole or any portion of such amounts for purposes other than agriculture?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—(a) A list of the holders of such loans is placed on the Council Table.

(b) Revenue officers are bound to enquire into the purposes for which the loans are utilised. They have not come across any misapplication of the funds.

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